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SUBJ: TURKISH POPPY STRAW

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MALLINCKRODT REPRESENTATIVE KENT CALLED AT EMBASSY MARCH 11. HE HAD BEEN IN TURKEY DURING PAST TWO WEEKS MOSTLY IN IZMIR ARRANGING FOR SHIPMENT OF 3,100 TONS OF POPPY STRAW PURCHASED BY HIS FIRM. HE SAID HE IS QUITE SATISFIED WITH OUTCOME OF THIS MATTER. PRICE PAID BY MALLINCKRODT WAS APPROXIMATELY \$1,900 PER TON. ABOUT 2,500 TONS ARE BEING SHIPPED TO NETHERLANDS AND 600 TONS TO POLAND FOR PROCESSING FOR MALLINCKRODT'S ACCOUNT. ANALYSIS OF A NUMBER OF SAMPLES SHOWED AVERAGE MORPHINE CONTENT WAS 0.4 PERCENT. POPPY STRAW, AS PURCHASED WAS RELATIVELY FREE OF IMPURITIES. MALLINCKRODT WOULD HAVE PREFERRED IF STRAW HAD NOT BEEN BROKEN UP AS MUCH AS IT HAD BEEN BY TURKISH AUTHORITIES TO REDUCE BULK. HOWEVER, EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF ONE PROCESSOR HANDLING A SMALL QUANTITY WHERE ABOUT 8 PERCENT OF THE STRAW IS TOO FINE TO BE USED, THERE IS NO PROBLEM WITH PROCESSING.

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